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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Applicants respectfully request that the following comments be placed into the prosecution record prior to issuance of the above-identified application.

Applicants do not acquiesce to the Examiner's Statement for Reasons for Allowance and respectfully submit that other Reasons for Allowance also exist. Applicants also point out that the different independent claims are not identical, and that the specific limitations addressed by the Examiner in the Statement for Reasons for Allowance do not appear verbatim in every independent claim. Applicants also point out that the dependent claims include additional patentable features not recited by the Examiner. To the extent that the entire language recited by the Examiner in the Statement for Reasons for Allowance appears verbatim in one of Applicant's claims, Applicants agree with the Examiner that these limitations define at least one reason for allowance, although other reasons may also exist.

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